

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The invention provides a method for introducing a population of Kupffer cells into an individual. The method includes the steps of (a) administering to an individual a Kupffer cell toxin, wherein the toxin ablates a first population of Kupffer cells of the individual, and (b) administering to the individual a population of Kupffer cell progenitors, wherein the population of Kupffer cell progenitors replaces the first population of Kupffer cells, thereby providing a second population of Kupffer cells.